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LENGTH OF RAILWAY TRACKS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the total length of new railway tracks laid during the current year;

(b) the time by which the work of laying broad gauge line from Raichur to Guntakal would be completed; and

(c) the number of meter gauge lines in the State of Karnataka which would be converted into broad gauge during the current year?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a): During the current year 2014-15, a total Broad Gauge network expansion of 463 km including 61 km new line, 161 km Gauge Conversion and 241 km doubling has been done till November, 2014.

(b): Broad gauge line already exists between Raichur and Guntakal. However, doubling of this line has been taken up in patches and the entire section has been doubled except one patch viz. Kosgi- Manthralayam Road- Matmari (24 km). In this patch, track linking in Kosgi- Manthralayam Road (13 km) section has been completed and finishing works have been taken up. In Manthralayam Road-Matmari (11 km) section, earthwork & bridge works have been taken up. Due to huge throwforward of ongoing projects and limited overall availability of funds, it is not possible to provide adequate funds to all the projects which is a pre-requisite for fixing time-lines.

(c): There is no Meter Gauge line in Karnataka.